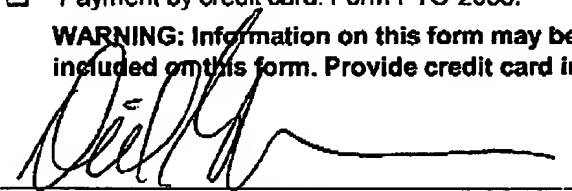
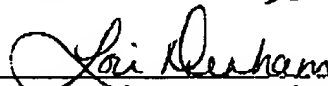
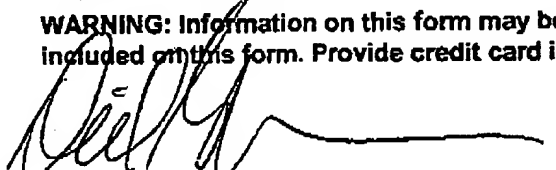



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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated April 25, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows and reconsider the application in light of the amendments and remarks below.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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